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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS**

In re the Application of :  
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For a Patent for :  
ESTROGEN BETA RECEPTOR AGONISTS  
TO PREVENT OR REDUCE THE SEVERITY  
OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment in Response to the Office Action mailed on August 9, 2007, which Office Action contained a final rejection of all claims. Applicant further submits herewith a Request for Continued Examination.